# Statewide Survey Confirms: Republicans Overwhelming Support Privacy Bill 78% of respondents back privacy law

Texas Values Action today released survey results which underscore the overwhelming support among Republicans for legislative efforts to protect privacy.

The automated survey, conducted August 7-8 among 1R to 4R Republican Texas Primary Voters, found almost 80% of support for those efforts. In response to the question, "Legislation has been filed to prevent local governments from enacting laws giving men who claim they are women the right to use the women's bathroom. Do you support or oppose such a law?", 78.9% of respondents answered "yes" (detailed results on the following page).

Furthermore, the survey found that support for the privacy legislation will be a major issue in their vote.

"Despite a campaign by the media, big business, and liberal activists, the results of this survey clearly demonstrate that Republican primary voters care deeply about protecting privacy and that issue will be an important factor in their vote in the March primaries," said Jonathan Saenz, President of Texas Values Action.

The automated survey of over 1500 respondents was conducted by New Mexico-based GOPcalls.com, has provided services for Republicans and related companies across the nation for over 35 years. Clients have included the Bush/Cheney campaign, Mitt Romney for President Campaign, and numerous federal and state officials, candidates, and conservative organizations.

In New Mexico, the firm also operates the ZiaPoll, a non-partisan public opinion and market research firm which provides analysis on The Pulse of New Mexico, including regular polling on the 2016 presidential race in the state.

# Survey Details

1,519 statewide respondents1R to 4R Republican Primary VotersAugust 7-8Conducted by GOPCalls.com

## Question 1:

"Legislation has been filed to prevent local governments from enacting laws giving men who claim they are women the right to use the women's bathroom. Do you support or oppose such a law?"

Press 1 if you believe men who claim they are women should not be allowed to use the women's restroom. 78.9%

Press 2 if you believe men who claim they are women should be allowed to use a women's restroom 13.0%

Press 3 if you are unsure or have no opinion. 8.0%

### Question 2:

"Another proposed law would prevent public school districts from allowing boys who claim they are girls from using the girl's restrooms, changing areas and shower facilities in our public schools."

Press 1 if you believe boys who claim they are girls should be banned from using the girl's restrooms, changing areas or shower facilities in our public schools. 84.7% Press 2 if you support allowing boys who claim they are girls to use these girl restrooms, changing areas

and shower facilities in our public schools. 11.0%

Press 3 if you are unsure or have no opinion. 4.4%

#### **Question 3:**

"If your local Legislator supports allowing men who claim they are women to use the women's public restroom or a public changing room or shower in our public schools, will you vote for that Legislator in the 2018 Republican Primary?"

Press 1 if you would not vote to re-elect that State Legislator 78.8%Press 2 if you would vote to re-elect that State Legislator. 10.5%Press 3 if you would not base your decision entirely on this issue. 10.6%

#### **Question 3a:**

Respondents who chose "3" (10.6% of respondents) on Question 3 were asked the following: How important is the issue of bathroom privacy to you when it comes to making your decision on how you vote? Press 1 if it is very important 30.2% Press 2 if it is somewhat important 34.3% Press 3 if it is not very important - or not important at all. 35.4%

#### For Statistical Purposes only, please answer the following:

#### **Question 4:**

How likely are you to vote in the upcoming March 2018 Republican Primary?

Press 1 if you are highly likely 87.4% Press 2 if you are somewhat likely 5.8% Press 3 if you are unlikely 4.3% Press 4 if you are unsure or you will not vote. 2.3%

#### **Question 5:**

Do you consider yourself to be a Tea Party Republican?

Press 1 if Yes 38.6% Press 2 if No 42.3% Press 3 if you are unsure 19.0%

# Question 6 :

If you are a male Press 1 43.3% If you are a female, Press 2. 56.1%

#### **Question 7:**

If you over aged 60 or above press 1, 40.0% If you are aged 40 to 59, Press 2, 29.5% If you are aged 30 to 48 Press 3 22.6% If you under aged 30 press 4. 7.7%

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